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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS ARRESTS AND SEIZURES

1. THAI NARCOTICS POLICE SEIZED 30 KILOGRAMS OF NUMBER THREE HEROIN ON JULY 16, AND ARRESTED THREE ALLEGED HEROIN SMUGGLERS. IT WAS ONE OF THE LARGEST SEIZURES OF NUMBER THREE EVER MADE IN THAILAND. POLICE ACTED ON INFORMATION ORIGINATING WITH A DEA SOURCE IN HONG KONG AND TRANSMITTED TO THE DEA BANGKOK OFFICE. DEA ASSISTED THE THAI POLICE IN SETTING UP THE SEIZURE AND ARRESTS. TWO OF THE MEN ARRESTED ARE HONG KONG CHINESE, AND THE THIRD IS A THAI CHINESE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE TWO HONG KONG CHINESE, CHENG DING SING, AND NG WING LIT, ARE MAJOR HONG KONG TRAFFICKERS AND ARE PART OF A LARGE DISTRIBUTION NETWORK CENTERED IN HONG KONG.

2. THAI POLICE BELIEVE THAT THE HEROIN, WITH A WHOLESALE VALUE OF 2.4 MILLION BAHT (\$125,000) ON THE LOCAL MARKET, WAS DESTINED FOR EUROPE, WHERE IT WOULD HAVE A WHOLE SALE VALUE OF ABOUT \$750,000. POLICE ARE CONTINUING THEIR INVESTIGATION OF THE CASE.

3. ACCORDING TO BANGKOK NEWSPAPERS OF JULY 19, POLICE ARRESTED SIX DRUG PEDDLERS AND SEIZED ABOUT ONE KILOGRAM OF NUMBER FOUR HEROIN ON JULY 18. POLICE
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UNDERCOVER AGENTS POSING AS BUYERS MADE THE ARRESTS.

THIS WAS A UNILATERAL THAI EFFORT.
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